

New Executive Officer at Arsenal Named

Formally assigned as safety officer at Joliet Arsenal following his return to the United States from 13 months duty in Korea, Capt. Myron J. Vestal also has been appointed executive officer at the Arsenal.

He succeeds Capt. Robert B. True, who left Joliet earlier this month for duty with the Far Eastern theater command. Capt. True's wife and 11-year-old son have returned to their home in New Hampshire. The Trues had resided at the Arsenal reservation.

A NATIVE of Ada, O., Capt. Vestal received his early education there. He is a graduate of the Winonah Military Academy at Winonah, N. J. He was in service during World War II and was recalled to active duty in 1950 and assigned to the Sioux Ordnance Depot at Sidney, Neb.

Later, he was assigned to the Charleston Ordnance Depot at Charleston, S. C. From there he went to Korea for 13 months duty.

After his return to the U. S., he was assigned to Joliet Arsenal as safety officer. When Capt. True left for his new assignment, Capt. Vestal was also named executive officer. As such, his duties include that of public relations officer for the Arsenal.

CAPT. TRUE, who entered the Army in June, 1942, attended officers candidate school at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Aberdeen, Md., where he was commissioned a second lieutenant in January, 1943. He was then assigned to the 1904th Ordnance Ammunition Co., and was on duty with this company and the 49th Ordnance Battalion at Kanchrapera, India. This is where the ammunition depot for the entire Chinese-Burma-India theater was operated.

Capt. True returned to the U. S. in December, 1945, and to civilian life in March, 1946. He was recalled to active duty in January, 1951, reporting to Joliet Arsenal. He had served the past two years as executive officer, both under Lt. Col. Raymond C. Costabile, former commanding officer, and Col. Ronald B. Currens, present commanding officer. Capt. True, a native of New Hampshire, was graduated from the University of New Hampshire with the class of 1936.